

S.J.R.

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By

Harrington

Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas so as to authorize the Texas Legislature to provide a system of Retirement, Disability and Death benefits for the officials and employees of the various counties, or other political subdivisions of the State or the political subdivisions of any county; providing that this Amendment shall not repeal or amend Subsection (b) of Section 62 of Article XVI of the Texas Constitution.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Section 62 of Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto a Subsection (c) which shall read as follows:

"(c) The Texas Legislature is authorized to enact appropriate laws to provide for and administer a Retirement, Disability and Death Compensation Fund for the officials and employees of the various counties or other political subdivisions of the State or the political subdivisions of any county; providing further that this Amendment shall not repeal or amend Subsection (b) of Section 62 of Article XVI of the Texas Constitution which authorizes each county to establish its own retirement, disability and death benefit system for its officials and employees."

Section 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at the General Election in November of 1966, at which election all ballots shall be printed thereon:

"FOR the Constitutional Amendment authorizing the Texas Legislature to establish Retirement, Disability and Death benefits for the officials and employees of the various counties or other political subdivisions of the State or the political subdivisions of any county."

"AGAINST the Constitutional Amendment authorizing the Texas Legislature to establish Retirement, Disability and Death benefits for the officials and employees of the various counties or other

political subdivisions of the State or the political subdivisions of any county."

If it appears from the returns of said election that the majority of the votes have been cast in favor of said Amendment, same shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

Section 3. The Governor of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for the election herein provided for and shall cause the proposed Amendment to be published in the manner required by law and shall call said election to be held as required by the Constitution and laws of this State.

Austin, Texas

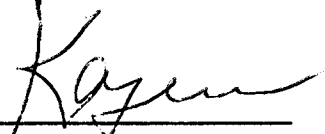
Mar.31, 1965

Honorable Preston Smith

President of the Senate

Sir:

We, your Committee on Constitutional Amendments,  
to which was referred SJR ~~X~~. No. 4, have had the same under  
consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate  
with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that the Committee  
Substitute adopted in lieu thereof do pass and be printed.

  
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Chairman

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Amend caption to conform to body  
of bill.

ADOPTED

APR 27 1965

*Schuster*

SECRETARY OF SENATE

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S. J. R. No. 4

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Texas by adding to Section 62 of Article XVI a new subsection to be denominated subsection (c), of said Section 62; authorizing the Legislature to enact laws establishing, subject to the limitations stated, a State-wide System of Retirement, Disability and Death Compensation benefits for the officers and employees of the counties and other political subdivisions of the state, and of the political subdivisions of any county.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Section 62 of Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto a subsection (c) which shall read as follows:

"(c) The Texas Legislature is authorized to enact appropriate laws to provide for a System of Retirement, Disability and Death Benefits for all the officers and employees of a county or other political subdivision of the state, or a political subdivision of a county; providing that when the Texas Legislature has passed the necessary enabling legislation pursuant to the Constitutional authorization, then the governing body of the county, or other political subdivision of the state, or political subdivision of the county shall make the determination as to whether a particular county or other political subdivision of the state, or subdivision of the county participates in this System; providing further that such System shall be operated at the expense of the county or other political subdivision of the state or political subdivision of the county electing to participate therein and the officers and employees covered by the System; and providing that the Legislature of the State of Texas shall never make an appropriation to pay the costs of this Retirement, Disability and Death Compensation System.

"The Legislature may provide for a voluntary merger into the System herein authorized by this Constitutional Amendment of any System of Retirement, Disability and Death Compensation Benefits which may now exist or that may hereafter be established under subsection (b) of Section 62 of Article XVI of the Texas Constitution; providing further that the Texas Legislature in the enabling statute will make the determination as to the amount of money that will be contributed by the county or other political subdivision of the state or political subdivision of the county to the State-wide System of Retirement, Disability and Death Benefits, and the Legislature shall further provide that the amount of money contributed by the county or other political subdivision of the state or subdivision of the county shall equal the amount paid for the same purpose from the income of each officer and employee covered by this State-wide System.

"It is the further intention of the Legislature, in submitting this Constitutional Amendment, that the officers and employees of the county or other political subdivision of the state or political subdivision of a county may be included in these systems regardless of whether the county or other political subdivision of the state or political subdivision of the county participates in the Retirement, Disability and Death Benefit System authorized by this Constitutional Amendment, or whether they participate in a System under the provisions of subsection (b) of Section 62 of Article XVI of the Texas Constitution as the same is herein amended."

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this state at the

General Election in November, 1966, at which all ballots shall have printed thereon:

"FOR the Constitutional Amendment authorizing the Texas Legislature to establish a State-wide Cooperative System of Retirement, Disability and Death Benefits for the officials and employees of the various counties or other political subdivisions of the state, or political subdivisions of a county; authorizing the Legislature to provide for a voluntary merger into the system authorized by this Amendment by those officers and employees covered by the provisions of subsection (b) of Section 62 of Article XVI of the Texas Constitution as now existing or may hereafter be established; providing that costs of this System shall be borne by the counties and other political subdivisions of the state and political subdivisions of the county electing to participate therein and the officers and employees covered by the System; and forbidding the Legislature from making any appropriations for the operation of this System."

"AGAINST the Constitutional Amendment authorizing the Texas Legislature to establish a State-wide Cooperative System of Retirement, Disability and Death Benefits for the officials and employees of the various counties or other political subdivisions of the state, or political subdivisions of a county; authorizing the Legislature to provide for a voluntary merger into the system authorized by this Amendment by those officers and employees covered by the provisions of subsection (b) of Section 62 of Article XVI of the Texas Constitution as now existing or may hereafter be established; providing that costs of this System shall be borne by the counties and other political subdivisions of the state and political subdivisions of the county electing to participate therein and the officers and employees covered by the System; and forbidding the Legislature from making any appropriations for the operation of this System."

If it appears from the returns of said election that a majority of the votes have been cast in favor of such amendment, the same shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for said election and have notice of said proposed Amendment and of said election published as required by the Constitution of Texas, and laws of this state.

FORM A

(For favorable and unfavorable reports on bills and resolutions, where no committee amendments are recommended.)

COMMITTEE REPORT

Date 7/12

HON. BEN BARNES

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir:

We, your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred S. J. R. 4 No. 4, have had the same under consideration

and beg to report back with recommendation that it { <sup>do</sup> ~~do not~~ } pass, and be \_\_\_\_\_ printed

John Allen  
Chairman.

(When this form is used for a favorable report on a general bill the words "do not" are marked out. If the bill is a local bill the word "not" should be inserted before the word "printed." When used for an unfavorable report the word "do" is marked out, the comma after "pass" is changed to a period, and the remaining words also marked out.

When this form is used for a simple or concurrent resolution the comma after "pass" should be a period and the remaining words stricken out because resolutions are printed in the Journal when first introduced.)



A JOINT RESOLUTION

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Section 62 of Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto a subsection (c) which shall read as follows:

"(c) The Texas Legislature is authorized to enact appropriate laws to provide for a System of Retirement, Disability and Death Benefits for all the officers and employees of a county or other political subdivision of the state, or a political subdivision of a county; providing that when the Texas Legislature has passed the necessary enabling legislation pursuant to the Constitutional authorization, then the governing body of the county, or other political subdivision of the state, or political subdivision of the county shall make the determination as to whether a particular county or other political subdivision of the state, or subdivision of the county participates in this System; providing further that such System shall be operated at the expense of the county or other political subdivision of the state or political subdivision of the county electing to participate therein and the officers and employees covered by the System; and providing that the Legislature of the State of Texas shall never make an appropriation to pay the costs of this Retirement, Disability and Death Compensation System.

"The Legislature may provide for a voluntary merger into the System herein authorized by this Constitutional Amendment of any System of Retirement, Disability and Death Compensation Benefits which may now exist or that may hereafter be established under subsection (b) of Section 62 of Article XVI of the Texas Constitution; providing further that the Texas Legislature in the enabling statute will make the determination as to the amount of money that will be contributed by the county or other political subdivision of the state or political subdivision of the county to the State-wide System of Retirement, Disability and Death Benefits, and the Legislature shall further provide that the amount of money contributed by the county or other political subdivision of the state or subdivision of the county shall equal the amount paid for the same purpose from the income of each officer and employee covered by this State-wide System.

"It is the further intention of the Legislature, in submitting this Constitutional Amendment, that the officers and employees of the county or other political subdivision of the state or political subdivision of a county may be included in these systems regardless of whether the county or other political subdivision of the state or political subdivision of the county participates in the Retirement, Disability and Death Benefit System authorized by this Constitutional Amendment, or whether they participate in a System under the provisions of subsection (b) of Section 62 of Article XVI of the Texas Constitution as the same is herein amended."

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this state at the

General Election in November, 1966, at which all ballots shall have printed thereon:

"FOR the Constitutional Amendment authorizing the Texas Legislature to establish a State-wide Cooperative System of Retirement, Disability and Death Benefits for the officials and employees of the various counties or other political subdivisions of the state, or political subdivisions of a county; authorizing the Legislature to provide for a voluntary merger into the system authorized by this Amendment by those officers and employees covered by the provisions of subsection (b) of Section 62 of Article XVI of the Texas Constitution as now existing or may hereafter be established; providing that costs of this System shall be borne by the counties and other political subdivisions of the state and political subdivisions of the county electing to participate therein and the officers and employees covered by the System; and forbidding the Legislature from making any appropriations for the operation of this System."

"AGAINST the Constitutional Amendment authorizing the Texas Legislature to establish a State-wide Cooperative System of Retirement, Disability and Death Benefits for the officials and employees of the various counties or other political subdivisions of the state, or political subdivisions of a county; authorizing the Legislature to provide for a voluntary merger into the system authorized by this Amendment by those officers and employees covered by the provisions of subsection (b) of Section 62 of Article XVI of the Texas Constitution as now existing or may hereafter be established; providing that costs of this System shall be borne by the counties and other political subdivisions of the state and political subdivisions of the county electing to participate therein and the officers and employees covered by the System; and forbidding the Legislature from making any appropriations for the operation of this System."

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S. J. R. No. 4

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Lieutenant Governor  
President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S. J. R. No. 4 passed the Senate on  
April 27, 1965, by the following vote: Yeas 28, Nays 1.

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Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S. J. R. No. 4 passed the House on  
May 27, 1965, by the following vote: Yeas 120, Nays 18.

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Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

6-18-65

Date

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Governor

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
8:45 P. M. O'CLOCK

JUN 20 1965

Crawford C. Martin  
Secretary of State

S.J.R. 4 By Harrington

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JAN 18 1965 Read first time

and referred to Committee  
on Constitutional Amendments

**MAR 31 1965**  
**REPORTED ADVERSELY, WITH**  
**FAVORABLE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE.**  
**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE READ 1ST TIME.**

**APR 13 1965**

Regular order of business  
suspended by vote of

26 yeas, 2 nays  
to permit consideration.

**APR 13 1965**

~~READ SECOND TIME~~

~~AND ORDERED ENGROSSED~~

**APR 27 1965**

Regular order of business sus-  
pended by unanimous consent to  
permit consideration.

**APR 27 1965**

~~READ SECOND TIME~~ Amended

AND ORDERED ENGROSSED

**APR 27 1965**

Amend caption to conform to body  
of bill.

**APR 27 1965**

Senate Rule 32 and  
Constitutional Rule (Sec. 32, Art. III)  
suspended by a vote of 28 yeas,  
1 nays, to place bill on third  
reading and final passage.

**APR 27 1965**

READ THIRD TIME AND PASSED  
BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

Yeas 28 Nays 1

Charles Schnabel  
Secretary of the Senate

19 65 Engrossed

Engrossing Clerk

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By: Harrington

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

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- 1-18-65 Read first time and referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.
- 3-31-65 Reported adversely, with favorable committee substitute. Committee substitute read first time.
- 4-13-65 Regular order of business suspended by vote of 26 Yeas, 2 Nays to permit consideration.
- 4-13-65 Read second time.
- 4-27-65 Regular order of business suspended by unanimous consent to permit consideration.
- 4-27-65 Amended and ordered engrossed.
- 4-27-65 Amend caption to conform to body of bill.
- 4-27-65 Senate Rule 32 and Constitutional Rule (Sec. 32, Art. III) suspended by a vote of 28 Yeas, 1 Nay, to place bill on third reading and final passage.
- 4-27-65 Read third time and passed by the following vote:  
Yeas 28, Nays 1.

Charles Schnabel, Secretary of the Senate

4-27-65 Engrossed.

*Essie McInnis*  
ENGROSSING CLERK

APR 28 1965

SENT TO HOUSE

Received from  
the Senate

*[Signature]*  
Representatives

MAY 27 1965

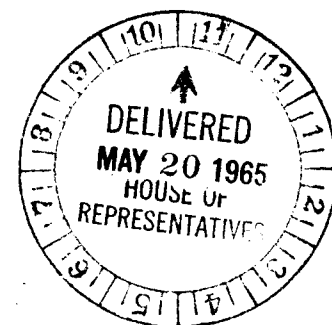
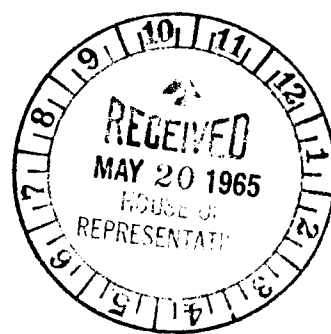
Read third time.

by following vote:  
Yeas 18  
*[Signature]*  
Clerk  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

READ 1st TIME  
AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON  
*Constitutional Amendments*

MAY 19 1965 REPORTED FAVORABLY SENT TO PRINTER MAY 19 1965

A.M.



A.M.

MAY 27 1965  
RETURNED  
FROM HOUSE

MAY 20 1965 RETURNED FROM PRINTER, SENT TO SPEAKER

MAY 20 1965

and passed to  
the Senate

*[Signature]*  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

5 J. R. No. 4

By \_\_\_\_\_

*Proposed by the Legislature*  
Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Texas by adding to Section 62 of Article ~~16~~ a new subsection to be denominated subsection (c), of said Section 62; authorizing the Legislature to enact laws establishing, subject to the limitations stated, a statewide system of Retirement, Disability and Death Compensation Benefits for the ~~appointive~~ officials and employees of the several political subdivisions, ~~authorities~~ and ~~taxing districts~~ of the State, ~~of the several counties of the State~~ and of the ~~taxing districts of~~ political subdivisions of any county.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Section 62 of Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto a subsection (c) which shall read as follows:

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